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GANT NEWS ITEMS.

One Sunday passed without a rain. — Mrs. Robinson has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Vess McCowen and family, this week. — Joe Berry is building a new concrete cellar. Vess McCowen is helping with his concrete mixer. Also Joe Smith is helping. — Buck Beatty is doing nicely. He can be up in a roller chair at the hospital. — The following neighbors and relatives surprised R. L. Stowers on his birthday Sunday: Mr. John Nevins and family; Miss Fay Hubbard, Lawrence McCarty and wife and "Aunt" Betty; Mrs. Harrison Brown; Mr. Clyde Ellis; Mrs. Milt Roberts; Henry Stowers and wife; Mrs. Ella Kennedy and son; George; Thomas Stowers and wife and daughter; Mary and two sons, Walcott and Orin; Charles Stowers and wife and nephew, Shannon Roberts; Will Stowers and wife and son, Roy; John Stowers and family; Levi Wion and wife; Joe Berry and wife; Allen Sydenstricker and family; Joe Smith and family; Lawrence Winn and family; Mrs. T. J. Jerman. All brought well filled baskets, boxes and pans. The tables were set out of doors and were full of meats, vegetables, salads, pickles, jellies, pies and cakes of all kinds with plenty of tea, coffee and milk. All enjoyed the day and wished R. L. Stowers and family many more birthdays together. They all come on the same day of the year. Thomas being 68, Charles 58 and Roy 51. There are not many brothers that have birthdays together. — Willie Edwards and family attended church at Bethlehem Sunday.

DYE NEWS ITEMS.

Dye School will give a program and pie supper on Saturday night, November first. Everyone is cordially invited. — Miss Hilda Anderson was the guest of Miss Martha Tuepker Saturday night. — Mrs. Dudgeon has returned from West Virginia. — Jack La Rue is grading roads. — Will Adell and Jesse Harrell are hauling cane to Eschoms, near Perry. — Frank James, Otto Ackerman, J. C. Hagan, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Erdel, Misses Lora and Lilly Schrader, Herman Schrader and others attended the Shire on Tuesday. The ladies of the Little Methodist church served dinner. Close to forty dollars was taken in. — Several from here attended the chicken supper given by the T. T. class of the Methodist church at the home of Mrs. J. R. Snook. All had an enjoy-

NEW LEGION POST IN AUDRAIN COUNTY

MARTINSBURG, Mo., October 21. — A new post of the American Legion was organized here Monday by the discharged soldiers of this community at the Knights of Columbus Hall. The post is to be known as the Charles Divers Crane Post in memory of Charles Divers Crane, the first boy of Audrain County to make the supreme sacrifice on the battlefields of France. Crane went with the first draft contingent from Martinsburg in 1917.

able time. — Henry Erdel has purchased a motorcycle. — The small son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Leritz who has been ill for several weeks is improving. — Mr. and Mrs. George Erdel and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Erdel, Sr., of Rush Hill, Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Witche and Edmund Witche motored to Louisiana Friday. — Several men from Mexico put in the bridge between the Berry and Weaver places that had been washed out. Mr. Berry and Mr. W. Ave. have been grading roads. — Miss Ruth Rouse is attending the conference held in Kirksville. — Examinations at Dye are over so we can now get ready for the pie supper. — Ralph Leritz handed out to Ruan Hill for about \$50. — Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schrader and daughter were the guests of Mr. Schrader's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Schrader Sunday. — Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Tuepker and Miss Martha Tuepker were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Erdel Sunday evening.

William Armstrong, wife and children, of Webster Groves, and Mrs. A. E. Ball, also of that place, are the guests of Mexico relatives. Mr. Armstrong, who is a former foreman of the Ledger, is entering the automobile business in Clinton, Ia. His many friends were glad to see him well and to know that he is meeting with much success.

M. T. Vandagriff has bought the Findley property on South Jefferson street just south of Dr. Rothwell's property. The place is a good one and \$3,300, the price paid for it, is a reasonable one.

NOTICE!

Owing to the large amount of advertising this week the Weekly Ledger was forced to depart from its established custom and places advertising on its front page.

TELLS OF CONTINUED NEED OF RED CROSS

Mrs. E. R. Kroeger, of St. Louis, chairman of the Junior Red Cross Membership Drive in the Southwest Division, addressed the meeting of the Audrain Chapter of the Red Cross in the Methodist Church Tuesday night. Her object was to explain the needs and the use to be made of the \$15,000,000 which the American Red Cross is now asking for.

A special report showed that 43 service badges had been given to those having served in Red Cross work for 800 hours. The treasurer reported balance on hand of \$3119.95. About \$30,000 has been spent in the county during the past year.

The executive committee for the coming year was elected. Those on it are: S. J. Buckner, Rev. George Wharton, Mrs. J. E. Durkee, Miss Ellen Carter, Miss Emma Freeman, Mrs. M. T. Harrison, Mrs. W. C. Johnson, Mrs. P. E. Coll, Mrs. J. T. Johnson, Dr. J. F. Flynn, Mrs. Harry Day, Reed Burke, Porter Bruce, Miss Emma Groves, Mrs. George Pollard, Mrs. Marvin Garnett, Mrs. J. G. Waggoner, Miss Hoffness, Mrs. Pike, Miss Lily Elliott, Joe Wilson, Mrs. Edward Farr, Miss Ethel Moorman, Mrs. W. S. Doolin, Pete Erdel, Miss Clara J. Hargrett, Miss Villa McCune, Mrs. Ella Corlier, Joe H. Ellis, J. B. Crum, Mrs. A. B. Hale.

McCLINTIC ITEMS.

Written by "A" and "B" Class.

The Travelers Class of the Laddonia Christian Church met with Mr. and Mrs. Froels Tuesday night. After the business session, a program was given followed by a jolly social hour. The ideal refreshments, ice cream and cake were served. All that attended report a fine time. — Oscar Erdel received his new Ford last week. — Otto Ehrlich was the guest of his father last week. — Stock sold well at the sale of Mr. Pittman's. A Jersey cow sold for \$138. — Fletcher Slavens and Miss Ida Peak were married last Tuesday. We hope Mr. and Mrs. Slavens a happy and prosperous life in their new realm. — Mr. Louis Sorensen and family were the guests of Will Pittman and family Sunday. — Mr. Brown traded two ponies for one pony to Mr. Pittman. — Miss Lillian Gleson of Chicago is visiting Mrs. Fred Doobin. She is her sister. — Erice Flynn and family and Elizabeth Garrett were the guests of Wilmer Anderson Sunday. — Homer Anderson had as a guest Sunday Claude Lower. — George Williams of Laddonia was the guest of Homer Anderson for the past week.

MOLINO ITEMS.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodson Roberts of Columbia were guests of Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Flynn last week. — E. C. Williams and family of Santa Fe were guests of Mrs. S. N. Williams and family Sunday. — The following were guests of H. L. Weaver and family Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Mayhall of Mexico, Clyde Weaver of Gant, D. S. Weaver and family of Rush Hill, R. L. Robinson and wife and Miss Carolyn Wilson and Rev. C. A. Heyden. — Wm. Hendrix and family of Concord and W. E. Cauthorn and sister, Miss Mary, were guests of Les Brown and family Sunday. — Mrs. James Dudley spent Saturday with Mrs. Anderson Cauthorn. — Mrs. John "Uncle" and daughter visited Saturday and Sunday in Santa Fe. — D. B. Cauthorn and family of Mexico spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mrs. Cauthorn and family. — W. H. Adams and wife enjoyed a visit from their nephew, Lloyd Cramer, recently. — Born to A. J. Cauthorn and wife, October 8th, a son. — James Beam and wife of Hannibal are visiting relatives here. — Dave Beam and wife were guests of Mexico relatives Saturday night and Sunday.

WILLIAM NEALE KILLED.

William Groves Neale was accidentally shot and killed while hunting in the west end of the county Tuesday morning. He was discharged from the service recently and since then has been visiting his brother, George Neale. His home was in Parsons, Kansas, where he practiced dentistry prior to his entering the army. Mr. Neale was found lifeless, with the back of his head shot beside a hedge fence. His brother, who found him, supposed that he had crawled through the fence and in so doing had accidentally discharged the gun. Mr. Neale was 27 years old. His mother lives in Centralia.

HEDGEDALE ITEMS.

Miss Mary Hanna spent the week-end with her parents. — The ladies of Littleby church cleared \$33 serving dinner at Philip Shire's sale and \$37 at Mrs. P. Erdel's. They will serve at Geo. Erdel's next Thursday. — Mrs. Emil Kircher and little son, Charles, of Highland, Ill., spent last week with Louis Kircher and family. — F. F. Witche and family, Geo. Erdel and family and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Erdel, Sr., motored to Louisiana, Friday to get apples. — Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Snook, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Skelley, Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Witche, and Mrs. A. Ketter drove to Wellsville Sunday afternoon. — Milton Smith who has been at the Mexico hospital the last few weeks came Sunday.

NORTHEAST BENTON.

George Hildebrand and family of Wellsville visited near Benton City Sunday. — Ernest Neiman visited his aunt, Mrs. Clara Geist, who is very ill at her home in St. Louis county, during the week-end. — Mrs. Florence Begeman, who formerly taught at Erisman visited at Lawrence Paradise over Sunday. Mrs. Begeman is teaching at Truxton, Missouri this year. — Mrs. Gilla Carter entertained at Sunday dinner in honor of her son, Claude, and his bride, who were married last Thursday. — The Ladies' Aid Society of the Presbyterian church will hold their regular meeting Thursday evening at which time a benediction will be given. Refreshments will be served. — Chris Erisman shipped two car loads of cattle Tuesday and Ed Hildebrand shipped a carload of hogs.

LADDONIA NEWS.

Geo. E. Ferns, a pioneer of Laddonia, is dangerously ill. — Mrs. Elizabeth Dodgson celebrated her eighty-fifth birthday anniversary at the home of her son, Cliff Dodgson. She came to the county many years ago from Ohio. — Mrs. C. M. Denmark and twin babies of Boyd, Mont., are visiting with relatives here. — Mrs. W. H. Logan is home from Boone, S. C., improved in health. — Fletcher Slavens of Rush Hill and Miss Emma Peak of Perry were married here by Rev. H. B. Rice. — Glenn and Evan Beedle, twin sons of S. P. Beedle and wife, were 18 years old Friday. It was also their mother's birthday. She entertained a number of young people at dinner. — Rev. Father H. J. Schleuter has gone to Chicago to be treated by a specialist.

BENTON CITY ITEMS.

Rev. Mitchell filled his appointment at the Presbyterian church Sunday morning and evening. — Ed Hildebrand shipped a load of cattle to St. Louis Monday night. — Mrs. Rheier is visiting her daughter in Kansas City. — Mrs. J. E. Clark, south of town, who was very ill, is improving. — Mrs. John Edwards, the Switch Board operator of Benton City died at 5:30 Saturday evening. She leaves an infant baby two weeks old. The funeral service was held at the Baptist church Sunday evening at three o'clock. Bro. Wallace and Bro. Mitchell conducted the services. The remains were laid to rest in the Lockridge cemetery. — Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Breedlove are home from a visit to Bloomington, Ill. — Harold Hutchinson and family spent Sunday and Monday at Palmyra. — John Keels and wife of Mexico spent Sunday with his father, J. D. Keels. — Claude Carter and Miss Maude Bain were married in Mexico last Thursday evening. — Mrs. Ed Carter, his mother, gave them a reception Sunday. Quite a number from here were invited out to dinner. They will make their home on the Bain farm. — Mrs. Bain and daughter, Julia, have gone to Colorado for the winter. — Miss Martha Stauffer of Mexico visited relatives here Sunday. — Marion Barker and family spent Sunday with J. C. Hicks and wife.

Home From Rochester.

Reuben Howard, who resides near Molino, Mo., has returned from Mayo Hospital, Rochester, Minn. About a year ago Mr. Howard was trying to remove a tap from a wagon, when it loosened suddenly that the force he was putting on it dislocated the cap of his right elbow and threw the two bones of the upper part of his right arm out of place. It was feared that the arm would have to be amputated, but it was learned at the Mayo Hospital that such an operation will be unnecessary.

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STOCK NEWS

LOCAL MARKET
Wheat \$2.12, \$2.04, \$2.08, \$2.10
New Corn \$1.20
Oats 60c, 62c

Chicago Dec. May
Corn \$1.25 \$1.22 1/2
71 1/2 74 1/2

St. Louis Cash:—
No. 1 White Corn \$1.44 to \$1.45
No. 2 Yellow Corn \$1.40
No. 1 Yellow Corn \$1.40 to \$1.41
No. 2 Mixed Oats 69 1/2 to 70
No. 3 Mixed Oats 69

St. Louis Stock Yards:—
Hogs 11,000 25c to 35c lower
Top \$13.25
Cattle 5,000 Steady prospects higher
Sheep 3,500 Steady

Chicago Stock Yards:—
Hogs 16,000.
Top \$13.00.

Kansas City Market:—
Hogs \$1.00 lower.
Top \$12.85.

One of Joe Considine's large barns was burned Saturday afternoon at 6 o'clock. It was not the barn on his Hopewell farm. It contained a large amount of feed and straw which was destroyed but no animals were lost. The cause of the blaze and the amount of the loss is not known.

Judge Billy Smith will hold a big sale October 31st at his farm. He has a splendid lot of stock offered.

Tuesday hogs fell to \$13.50 a hundred on the St. Louis live stock market. This is the lowest price they have been since the war began.

The best sale on steers on Tuesday's St. Louis market was that of two cars for C. C. Bledsoe of Audrain county, Mo., a fair farmer, feeder and live stock operator. His offering comprised 41 head that averaged 1175 lbs., and sold to Morris & Co., at \$17.65. "I fed these cattle since last February," remarked Mr. Bledsoe to a representative of the Reporter. "I started them with a little corn and Purina molasses feed on the grass and the last sixty days I increased my corn and Purina molasses feed until they were getting every pound they could eat. The gain was exceptionally nice and I believe the steers will make some money." Mr. Bledsoe stated that he purchased the steers at home last fall and that they were just a good quality bunch of feeders, most of them being Shorthorns. He has 65 head of the best end of his feeding back which he plans on marketing in the near future. He also has about 200 hogs following this string of hives which he stated would lose money, but his cattle will put him ahead of the game anyhow. They cost him \$11.50 laid down at home.

Mr. Bledsoe, speaking of conditions, said they had a fairly good crop of corn but present indications are that very few feeders are going to feed their corn this winter. Recent rains have retarded what planting considerable in that section and they will hardly have a 30 per cent average this season, he said.—Live Stock Reporter.

A pair of mules was sold Tuesday by J. Ed Moore of Fulton, to George Apenathy, of Allerton, Iowa, for \$1,100, the price being the largest ever paid in Callaway county for two mules. The animals are five years old, 16 1/2 hands high and together weigh 3,250 pounds. One of them Mr. Moore bought a few months ago in Nebraska and it has been used since on the Moore land as a work animal. The other was bought as a yearling in north Missouri by W. H. Tyler, south of Fulton, who later sold it to Thomas Braham, of Tebbetts. Mr. Braham sold to Mr. Moore a week or two ago for \$550.—Fulton Gazette.

G. H. Fennelwood of Audrain county, Mo., favored the trade with a two car consignment of his good hives that sold up to \$16.75 one of the sales on Tuesday's St. Louis market worthy of special note. There were 59 head in the drove that averaged 1251 lbs. and sold to Morris & Co., at \$16.75. "I fed these steers all summer on the grass, using shelled corn and Purina Fatema molasses feed and I certainly got weight and plenty of it with this ration," remarked Mr. Fennelwood.—Live Stock Reporter.

Mrs. W. H. Ravenscraft, who resides near Benton City, harvested fourteen bushels of York Imperial apples from one tree this year. This is the county record.

SID HOUSTON MEETS ALBERT OF BELGIUM

With less ostentation and dignity than is usually accorded persons of much lower rank, Albert, king of the Belgians, received the title of honorary state commander of the American Legion for Missouri Monday night on his special train speeding from Emporia, Kansas, to Kansas City. Sid Houston, state commander, bestowed the title upon his majesty. Houston is a son of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Houston of Mexico, and a former city editor of the Ledger. The Kansas City Times of Tuesday says:

In making the presentation of the title, together with an enlarged replica in gold of the American Legion membership button, Houston asked that the king keep it as a memento of the honor and respect in which he and his heroic nation are held by the two hundred thousand boys from Missouri who served in the great war.

The King Was Appreciative.

Albert expressed appreciation of the honor, and said: "American soldiers won the war. The boys came from the safety and comforts of this great Nation of their own accord, and threw their strength into the war when the Allies had almost finished their fight. I shall always have the biggest respect for those wonderful boys from Missouri and the entire Nation who offered their lives in the great cause. It is a source of much pride to me to be honored by one of their representatives."

In responding Houston asserted the Americans had not won the war alone, but had merely finished it.

"Had it not been for the heroic stand of the Belgians in the early days of the conflict," he said, "there probably would be another story to tell today."

Mr. Houston and his party, composed of Lieut. Col. Ruby D. Garrett, a member of the state executive committee of the American Legion; John W. Keys, vice-commander of the Murray Davis Post and Lieut. John F. Ware, Jr., were introduced to the king in his private car by Maj. Gen. William

SERGT. CAVE JOHNSON HOME FROM FRANCE

Sergt. Cave Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Johnson, of this city, who has been in France for 18 months is home from service with his discharge. He looks exceptionally well and his many friends were delighted to see him back safe and sound.

He was in that section of the service which had charge of the A. E. F. horses. There are about 17,000 head of U. S. army horses overseas now, according to Sergt. Johnson and it costs \$35,000 a day to feed them. France and Germany have both made repeated efforts to purchase these animals but without success.

Germany, at one time, offered as much as \$300 a head for them. But since the mark has decreased in value they have continued to offer to buy but for much less money.

Wright, formerly commander of the 35th and 89th Divisions. With his majesty were Queen Elizabeth and Prince Leopold.

King Dressed as a General.

The king was dressed in the uniform of a Belgian general, in view of the fact he was commander-in-chief of the Belgian forces. The queen was gown'd very simply in white and the prince wore the uniform of a private, his rank in the Belgian army.

Couple Elopes to Hannibal.

Miss Pearl Barnett, daughter of J. W. Barnett and William Dewey Franklin, both of Mexico, eloped to Hannibal on Tuesday of last week and were married by John F. Totsch, justice of the peace. Their friends did not know of their marriage until they returned to Mexico the first of this week.

The Ledger joins their friends in wishing them happiness.

Home From Siberia.

Sergt. Wallace Robinson, of this city, who has been with U. S. troops in Siberia, has landed in San Francisco, according to a wire received by his mother in this city.

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